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| International application No. PCT/US02/22024 | International filing date (day/month/year) 12 July 2002 (12.07.2002) | (Earliest) Priority Date (day/month/year) 13 July 2001 (13.07.2001) |
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1. Basis of the Report

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2. ☐ Certain claims were found unsearchable (See Box I).

3. ☐ Unity of invention is lacking (See Box II).

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6. The figure of the drawings to be published with the abstract is Figure No. 1



as suggested by the applicant.



because the applicant failed to suggest a figure.



because this figure better characterizes the invention.



None of the figures.

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Box III TEXT OF THE ABSTRACT (Continuation of Item 5 of the first sheet)

The technical features mentioned in the abstract do not include a reference sign between parentheses (PCT Rule 8.1(d)).

NEW ABSTRACT

A method of producing embossed-in-register building products. Reference edges are milled on a board (4). A resin soaked paper (8) having a decorative motif is located on the board using the reference edges as a guide such that the decorative motif has a predetermined position relative to the reference edges. The board (4) and paper (8) are then located in a press machine having a press plate with a three dimensional surface that is registered with the decorative motif. The press plate presses into the board (4) and paper (8) at a predetermined temperature to set the resin, producing a final product. Resin and paper parameters are carefully controlled. The press plate is manufactured such that the plate's surface registers with the decorative motif when the press plate is hot. Appropriate hollowing and milling of the board (4) can even out pressure distributions and to provide a completely closed surface without porosity.

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A. CLASSIFICATION OF SUBJECT MATTER

IPC(7) : B31F 1/07
 US CL : 156/209,219,580,581,583.1

According to International Patent Classification (IPC) or to both national classification and IPC

B. FIELDS SEARCHED

Minimum documentation searched (classification system followed by classification symbols)
 U.S. : 156/209,219,580,581,583.1

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Electronic data base consulted during the international search (name of data base and, where practicable, search terms used)

C. DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT

| Category * | Citation of document, with indication, where appropriate, of the relevant passages | Relevant to claim No. |
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| A | US 4,689,102 (PRAWDZIK et al) 25 August 1987 (25.08.1987), column 2, lines 52-65, column 3, lines 57-60. | 1-23 |
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